

## THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Addressed by Zion Conference—An urgent Appeal for Justice—Bishop Walter's Speaks—Interesting Document.

Bishop Alexander Waters, who has been in Virginia holding one of his annual conferences passed through the city Wednesday. Bishop Walters never forgets to strike a blow for the race, and as the head of the National Afro-American Council, does effective work for that body. In view of the constitutional convention soon to meet in Virginia, and knowing full well that the Negro would suffer more, if there is any to be done, than anybody else, the Bishop was not backward about making a special appeal to the conservative whites for fairness and justice. Below



BISHOP ALEXANDER WALTERS.

we reproduce part of the resolutions. They are manly and courageous and cannot be misconstrued:

## AN APPEAL TO THE CONSERVATIVE WHITE MEN OF VIRGINIA.

In view of the forthcoming constitutional convention to which will be submitted several propositions to be en-couched in the new organic law, important among which are the restriction of the suffrage and the division of the public school funds, we, the members of the Virginia Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Zion church, now in session in the city of Petersburg, Va., December 1st, 1900, holding in grateful remembrance the great philanthropic spirit of the South and especially of our native state in fostering the educational interests of the past, whereby we are enabled to make a respectful showing to the world, we gratefully point with peculiar pride to the magnificent support given to the Hampton Normal School and to the Virginia Normal and Collegiate Institute, and the maintenance of the best system of the public schools in all of the southland; and in grateful remembrance of the very kind relations heretofore existing between the fathers of both races, and we the Negro sons, wishing not only to continue but to strengthen those relations that the common good of all her children may be enhanced to the lasting benefit of our country and humanity, do make the following appeal to the conservative element of our white brethren in the great commonwealth of Virginia:

We respectfully beg to assure you that we are one in sentiment, as to the restriction of the educational qualification of the suffrage, as long it applies in its operation equally to all races concerned, but we are unalterably opposed to the notorious "Grand Father Clause," which operates to the detriment of our race only.

Second: That in view of the agitation to separate the school funds so that the school taxes paid by white people shall

be applied solely to the education of the white children, and the school taxes paid by the blacks to the education of the colored children: we do earnestly beseech you to use your potent influence in prohibiting such a provision being embodied in the organic law of this renowned commonwealth.

We beg you not to forget that our ancestors rendered of their brawn and muscle two hundred and fifty years of labor without reward or the hope of reward. The South, in her magnanimous hours, has been giving liberal and generous appropriations for the education of our helpless and ignorant children, who are dependent upon the state's generosity.

We, who in the hour of peril and when the bravery and chivalry of the South were valiantly fighting to keep us in slavery, remained at home, tilled your soil, fed your gallant soldiery, and protected your womanhood, now beseech you to continue your support to our educational interests. We commend the stand taken by the Richmond Times, the Norfolk Public Ledger, the Petersburg Index and Appeal and other newspapers in the state. They show that the Negro pays a very large per cent of the tax by rentals and otherwise for which the Negro gets no credit.

Then, in the name of the thousands of Negro children, crying to you for light and life who some day will become part of the body politic, we make this appeal, feeling that your exalted sense of right and justice will actuate you to avert the menace which threatens to retard the material advancement of the state.

The Banner Journal.

After carefully perusing The Colored American we find it to be the best gotten up colored newspaper in the United States. It is a classical concern, worthy the patronage of all the people. The citizens of color must feel proud of having such a paper as The Colored American, published in The City of Magnificent Distances. Well, The Colored American is a wonder, but not a wonder, as long as we know that Editor E. E. Cooper is at the head. The reading public know of Hon. E. E. Cooper as a newspaper man. He was for years the editor of the Freeman, of Indianapolis, Ind., of which Mr. Knox is now editor. Under Editor Cooper's supervision the Freeman was known in every city in the Union, as well as the States.

In our special Christmas Edition we will give our readers a sketch of Editor Cooper's career as a newspaper man, together with his cut. The Colored American has our best wishes in the journalistic world.—Norfolk News and Advertiser, Dec 1900.

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Col. W. A. Pledger of Georgia passed through the city last week enroute to New York, where he goes on important business.

Mr. Stansbury Boyce, one of the leading merchants of the South and doing a large and lucrative dry goods business in Jacksonville, Fla., where his store is located, stopped in to see us last Monday on his way to New York City where he goes to buy goods and superintend their shipment.

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